

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Continuing Resolution.

Senate agreed to Foreign Operations Appropriations Conference Report.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10951–S11025

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3232–3242. **Page S10999**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation To Subcommittees Of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2001”. (S. Rept. No. 106–508) **Page S10999**

Measures Passed:

Dairy Market Enhancement Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 2773, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to enhance dairy markets through dairy product mandatory reporting, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S10952–53**

Stevens (for Craig) Amendment No. 4340, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S10952–53**

National Recording Preservation Act: Senate passed H.R. 4846, to establish the National Recording Registry in the Library of Congress to maintain and preserve sound recordings and collections of sound recordings that are culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S10953**

Stevens (for Daschle) Amendment No. 4341, to make certain technical corrections and to encourage accessibility to registry and out of print recordings. **Page S10953**

Stevens (for Daschle) Amendment No. 4342, to amend the title. **Page S10953**

Colorado Ute Settlement Act Amendments: By 85 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 282), Senate passed S. 2508, to amend the Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement Act of 1988 to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian

Tribes, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10984–86**

Adopted:

Campbell Amendment No. 4303, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S10984–85**

Rejected:

Feingold Amendment No. 4326 (to Amendment No. 4303), to improve certain provisions of the bill. (By 56 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 281), Senate tabled the amendment. **Pages S10984–85**

Continuing Resolution: By 87 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 283), Senate passed H.J. Res. 115, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001. **Page S10986**

James Madison Commemorative Commission Act: Senate passed S. 3137, to establish a commission to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the birth of James Madison. **Pages S11009–11**

Interstate Transportation of Dangerous Criminals Act: Senate passed S. 1898, to provide protection against the risks to the public that are inherent in the interstate transportation of violent prisoners, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S11011–12**

U.S. International Broadcasting Employee Special Immigrant Status: Senate passed S. 3239, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide special immigrant status for certain United States international broadcasting employees. **Pages S11012–13**

Social Security Number Confidentiality Act: Senate passed H.R. 3218, to amend title 31, United States Code, to prohibit the appearance of Social Security account numbers on or through unopened mailings of checks or other drafts issued on public money in the Treasury, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S11013**

Belarus Parliamentary Election: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 153, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the parliamentary elections held in Belarus on October 15, 2000, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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James Guelff Body Armor Act: Senate passed S. 783, to limit access to body armor by violent felons and to facilitate the donation of Federal surplus body armor to State and local law enforcement agencies, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Celebrating James Madison's Birth/Contributions: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 396, celebrating the birth of James Madison and his contributions to the Nation.

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Foreign Operations Appropriations Conference Report: By 65 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 280), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4811, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, clearing the measure for the President.

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Airport Security Improvement Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 2440, to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve airport security, clearing the measure for the President.

Pages S11007–09

Fisheries Survey Vessel Authorization Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1651, to amend the Fishermen's Protective Act of 1967 to extend the period during which reimbursement may be provided to owners of United States fishing vessels for costs incurred when such a vessel is seized and detained by a foreign country, clearing the measure for the President.

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Appointment:

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–173, announced the following appointments to the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission: Senator Bunning, and Dr. Gabor S. Boritt, of Pennsylvania.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

James A. Dorskind, of California, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce.

Lois N. Epstein, of New York, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Kenneth Lee Smith, of Arkansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Department of the Interior.

George Darden, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2003. (Reappointment)

George Darden, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for the remainder of the term expiring December 17, 2000.

Maria Otero, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2003.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—283)

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Recess: Senate convened at 11:01 a.m., and recessed at 8:23 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 26, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11020.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

U.S.S. COLE ATTACK

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine issues related to the attack on the U.S.S. *Cole* in Yemen, after receiving testimony from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Edward S. Walker, Jr., Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; Gen. Tommy R. Franks, USA, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Central Command; and an official of the Intelligence Community.

GORE/CHERNOMYRDIN DIPLOMACY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs and the Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs concluded open and closed joint hearings to examine issues related to allegations made of Vice President Gore and former

Russian Prime Minister Victor Chernomyrdin diplomacy regarding alleged Russian weapons sales to Iran, after receiving testimony from John P. Barker, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nonproliferation Controls, Joseph M. DeThomas, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regional Nonproliferation, Newell L.

Highsmith, Attorney Adviser, Office of Legal Adviser for Political Military Affairs, and Robert E. Dalton, Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Office of Legal Adviser, all of the Department of State.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced:

(See next issue.)

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 1552, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 and fiscal year 2001 for the Marine Research and related environmental research and development program activities of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Science Foundation, amended (H. Rept. 106-987, Pt. 2);

H.R. 3112, to amend the Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement Act to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, amended (H. Rept. 106-1001);

H.R. 1798, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide additional support for and to expand clinical research programs (H. Rept. 106-1002);

H.R. 1689, to prohibit States from imposing restrictions on the operation of motor vehicles providing limousine service between a place in a State and a place in another State, amended (H. Rept. 106-1003 Pt. 1). **Page H10907 (Continued next issue)**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H10811**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Ronald F. Christian of Fairfax, Virginia. **Page H10811**

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, Oct. 24 by a ye and nay vote of 332 yeas to 51 nays, Roll No. 544.

Pages H10811, H10817

Foreign Operations Appropriations Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4811, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 by a ye and nay vote of 307 yeas to 101 nays, Roll No. 546.

Pages H10825-41

Agreed to H. Res. 647, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report by voice vote. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by of 210 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 545.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures that were debated on Tuesday, Oct. 24:

Older Americans Act Amendments: H.R. 782, amended, to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 through 2003 (passed by a ye and nay vote of 405 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 547). Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H10841-42**

Violence in the Middle East: H. Con. Res. 426, concerning the violence in the Middle East (a ye and nay vote of 365 yeas to 30 nays with 11 voting "present," Roll No. 549); and **Pages H10842-43**

Great Sand Dunes National Preserve in the State of Colorado: S. 2547, to provide for the establishment of the Great Sand Dunes National Park and the Great Sand Dunes National Preserve in the State of Colorado (passed by a ye and nay vote of 366 yeas to 34 nays, Roll No. 550)—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H10843-44**

Suspension Failed—Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 5375, amended, to establish the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor in the State of New York (failed to pass by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye and nay vote of 223 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 548). The bill was debated on Tuesday, Oct. 24.

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Rule Providing for Further Continuing Appropriations Resolutions: The House agreed to H. Res. 646, providing for consideration of House Joint Resolutions 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, and 120, each making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2001 by a ye and nay vote of 205 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 551.

Pages H10844-49

Further Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 115, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 by a ye and nay vote of 395 yeas to 9 nays, Roll No. 552.

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Estuaries and Clean Waters Act: The House agreed to the conference report on S. 835, to encourage the restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient project financing and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs by voice vote.

Pages H10857–67

H. Res. 648, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report was agreed to by voice vote.

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Federal Courts Improvement: The House passed S. 2915, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts. Earlier, agreed to an amendment that makes technical changes and strikes section 103.

Pages H10867–71

Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grants: The House passed S. 2413, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to clarify the procedures and conditions for the award of matching grants for the purchase of armor vests clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H10871–72

Presidential Threat Protection: The House disagreed with the Senate amendments numbered 1 and 3; agreed to the Senate amendments numbered 2 and 4; and agreed to the Senate amendment numbered 5 with an amendment to H.R. 3048, to amend section 879 of title 18, United States Code, to provide clearer coverage over threats against former Presidents and members of their families.

Pages H10872–74

Dairy Market Enhancement: The House passed S. 2773, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to enhance dairy markets through dairy product mandatory reporting—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H10874–75

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages H10812, H10844, and H10880.

Referrals: S. 2811 was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, S. 3164 was referred to the Committees on Judiciary and Commerce, S. 3194 and S.J. Res. 36 were referred to the Committee on Government Reform, and S. Con. Res. 155 was referred to the Committee on International Relations.

(See next issue.)

Quorum Calls—Votes: Nine ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10817, H10824–25, H10840–41, H10841–42, H10842, H10843, H10843–44, H10848–49, and H10855–56. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and recessed at 10:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

U.S.S. COLE ATTACK

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the attack on the U.S.S. *Cole*. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Walter B. Slocumbe, Under Secretary (Policy); and Gen. Tommy R. Franks, USA, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Central Command; and Edward S. Walker, Jr., Assistant Secretary (Near Eastern Affairs), Department of State.

“WASTE, FRAUD AND PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION”

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on “Waste, Fraud and Program Implementation at the U.S. Department of Education.” Testimony was heard from Richard Riley, Secretary of Education.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN OPERATIONS

Conferees, on Tuesday, October 24, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4811, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1113)

H.R. 2302, to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 307 Main Street in Johnson City, New York, as the “James W. McCabe, Sr. Post Office Building”. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–315)

H.R. 2496, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–316)

H.R. 2641, to make technical corrections to title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–317)

H.R. 2778, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–318)

H.R. 2833, to establish the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–319)

H.R. 2938, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 424 South Michigan Street in South Bend, Indiana, as the "John Brademas Post Office". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-320)

H.R. 3030, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 757 Warren Road in Ithaca, New York, as the "Matthew F. McHugh Post Office". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-321)

H.R. 3454, to designate the United States post office located at 451 College Street in Macon, Georgia, as the "Henry McNeal Turner Post Office". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-322)

H.R. 3745, to authorize the addition of certain parcels to the Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-323)

H.R. 3817, to dedicate the Big South Trail in the Comanche Peak Wilderness Area of Roosevelt National Forest in Colorado to the legacy of Jaryd Atadero. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-324)

H.R. 3909, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4601 South Cottage Grove Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Henry W. McGee Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-325)

H.R. 3985, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14900 Southwest 30th Street in Miramar, Florida, as the "Vicki Coceano Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-326)

H.R. 4157, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Lincoln Avenue in Pasadena, California, as the "Matthew 'Mack' Robinson Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-327)

H.R. 4169, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Vassar Street in Reno, Nevada, as the "Barbara F. Vucanovich Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-328)

H.R. 4226, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other land in the Black Hills National Forest and to use funds derived from the sale or exchange to acquire replacement sites and to acquire or construct administrative improvements in connection with the Black Hills National Forest. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-329)

H.R. 4285, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain administrative sites for National Forest System lands in the State of Texas, to convey certain National Forest System land to the New Waverly Gulf Coast Trades Center. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-330)

H.R. 4286, to provide for the establishment of the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge in Bibb

County, Alabama. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-331)

H.R. 4435, to clarify certain boundaries on the map relating to Unit NC-01 of the Coastal Barrier Resources System. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-332)

H.R. 4447, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 919 West 34th Street in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "Samuel H. Lacy, Sr. Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-333)

H.R. 4448, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3500 Dolfield Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "Judge Robert Bernard Watts, Sr. Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-334)

H.R. 4449, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1908 North Ellamont Street in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "Dr. Flossie McClain Dedmond Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-335)

H.R. 4484, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 North Washington Street in Rockville, Maryland, as the "Everett Alvarez, Jr. Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-336)

H.R. 4517, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 24 Tsienneto Road in Derry, New Hampshire, as the "Alan B. Shepard, Jr. Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-337)

H.R. 4534, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 114 Ridge Street, N.W. in Lenoir, North Carolina, as the "James T. Broyhill Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-338)

H.R. 4554, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1602 Frankford Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Joseph F. Smith Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-339)

H.R. 4615, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3030 Meredith Avenue in Omaha, Nebraska, as the "Reverend J.C. Wade Post Office". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-340)

H.R. 4658, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 Green Street in Fayetteville, North Carolina, as the "J.L. Dawkins Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-341)

S. 1236, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for commencement of the construction of the Arrowrock Dam Hydroelectric Project in the State of Idaho. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106-343)

H.J. Res. 114, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001. Signed October 20, 2000. (P.L. 106–344)

S. 2311, to revise and extend the Ryan White CARE Act programs under title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act, to improve access to health care and the quality of health care under such programs, and to provide for the development of increased capacity to provide health care and related support services to individuals and families with HIV disease. Signed October 20, 2000. (P.L. 106–345)

H.R. 4475, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. Signed October 23, 2000. (P.L. 106–346)

H.R. 4975, to designate the post office and courthouse located at 2 Federal Square, Newark, New Jersey, as the “Frank R. Lautenberg Post office and Courthouse”. Signed October 23, 2000. (P.L. 106–347)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 26, 2000**

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, October 26

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate may consider S. 1536, Older Americans Act Authorization.

At 11 a.m., Senate will begin a period of morning business (not to extend beyond 12 noon). Also, Senate may consider District of Columbia Appropriations Conference Report and the Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations Conference Report, if available, and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, October 26

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of conference report on H.R. 4942, District of Columbia Appropriations (subject to a rule being granted);

Consideration of conference report on H.R. 2614, Small Business Certified Development Company Program Improvements (subject to a rule being granted); and

Consideration of H.J. Res. 116, Making Further Continuing Appropriations (closed rule, one hour of debate).

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